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1. AS PROMISED BY ADDERLEY IN YESTERDAY'S TELCON AND PREVIOUS CONVERSATIONS WITH AMBASSADOR, EMBASSY HAS AT LAST RECEIVED THIS MORNING FOLLOWING NOTE FROM MINEXTAFF DATED 10 FEBRUAY.
"AND HAS THE HONOUR TO INFORM THE EMBASSY OF THE INTENTION TO ENACT LEGISLATION EMPOWERING THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS TO ENLARGE ITS AREA OF JURISDICTION TO EXERCISE SOVEREIGN RIGHTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPLORING AND EXPLOITING CONSERVING AND MANAGING THE NATURAL RESOURCES WHETHER LIVING OR NON-LIVING OF THE SEABED AND SUBSOIL AND SUPERJACENT WATERS.
"IT WILL BE PROPOSED THAT THE AREA OF FISHERY MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION OF THE BAHAMAS HAVE AS ITS OUTER BOUNDARY, A LINE DRAWN IN SUCH A MANNER THAT EACH POINT ON IT IS 200 NAUTICAL MILES FROM THE BASELINES FROM WHICH THE
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TERRITORIAL SEA IS MEASURED, PROVIDED HOWEVER THAT WHERE THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THAT BASELINE AND THE TERRITORIAL SEA

OR EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE OR FISHERIES MANAGEMENT ZONE OF A NEIGHBOURING COUNTRY IS LESS THAN 200 MILES AND THAT SUCH ZONE OR TERRITORIAL SEA, IS RECOGNIZED BY THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS, THE OUTER BOUNDARY SHALL

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BE DETERMINED BY NEGOTIATION.
"THE MINISTRY DESIRES THAT NATIONALS OF THE UNITED STATES AND NATIONALS FALLING WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WHO HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO HARVEST THE NATURAL RESOURCES WHETHER LIVING OR NON-LIVING OF THE SEABED SUBSOIL AND SUPERJACENT WATERS OF THE SAID FISHERIES MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION ZONE, OR WHO ARE CURRENTLY HARVESTING SAID NATURAL RESOURCES, BE AFFECTED WITH NOTICE OF THE INTENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS IN

THIS CONNECTION.
"THE MINISTRY WILL INFORM THE EMBASSY OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE LEGISLATION EXTENDING THE SOVEREIGN RIGHTS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS." COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE.

2. DEPARTMENT WILL OF COURSE WISH TO ACCESS LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OF NOTE'S CONTENT AS IT AFFECTS OUR POSITION AND PRIOR TO MEETING WITH BAHAMIAN AMB. JOHNSON.
TAYLOR

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